



Local Agency Environmental Classification Summary

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Begin MP _____ KP _____	End MP _____ KP _____	Miles 1.00 KM _____	Townships <u>13 N</u> Ranges <u>18 E</u> Sections <u>12, 13</u>
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Part 3 Permits and Approvals Required

Yes	No	Permit or Approval	Yes	No	Permit or Approval
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Corps of Engineers <input type="checkbox"/> Sec. 10 <input type="checkbox"/> Sec. 404 <input type="checkbox"/> Nationwide Type _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Individual Permit No. _____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Shoreline Permit
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Coast Guard Permit	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	State Waste Discharge Permit
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Coastal Zone Management Certification	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Section 4(f)/6(f): Wildlife Refuges, Recreation Areas, Historic Properties
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Critical Area Ordinance (CAO) Permit	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TESC Plans Completed
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	ESA and EFH Compliance (See Part 5)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Water Rights Permit
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Flood Plain Development Permit	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Water Quality Certification - Sec. 401 Issued by _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Forest Practice Act Permit	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tribal Permit(s), (If any) _____ _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Hydraulic Project Approval	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other Permits, including GMA (List): _____ _____ _____ _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Local Building or Site Development Permits			
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Local Clearing and Grading Permit			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Natl. Historic Preservation Act - Section 106			
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Baseline General for Construction			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	ROW Acquisition Required			

No relocations / *just strip takes*

Part 4 Environmental Considerations

Will the project involve work in or affect any of the following? Identify proposed mitigation. Attach additional pages or supplemental information if necessary.

1. Air Quality - Identify any anticipated air quality issues.

Is the project included in the Metropolitan Transportation Plan? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, date Metropolitan Transportation Plan was adopted. 5/19/03

Is the project located in an Air Quality Non-Attainment Area or Maintenance Area (for carbon monoxide, ozone, or PM10)? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Is the project exempt from Air Quality conformity requirements? ☐ Yes ☒ No (If Yes, identify exemption below.)

2. Critical/Sensitive Areas - Identify any known Critical or Sensitive Areas as designated by local Growth Management Act ordinances.

a. Aquifer Recharge Area, Wellhead Protection Area, or Sole Source Aquifer. If located within a sole source aquifer, is project exempt from EPA approval? ☐ Yes ☒ No

b. Geologically Hazardous Area
N/A

c. Habitat. List known fish and wildlife species present and describe general habitat.
Middle Columbia River Steelhead DPS, Bull Trout

d. Are wetlands present within the project area? ☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes, estimated area of impact in acre(s): _____

Part 4 Environmental Considerations - Continued

3. Cultural Resources/Historic Structures - Identify any historic, archaeological, or cultural resources present with the project's area of potential effects.

Does the project fit into any of the exempt types of projects listed in Sect. 24.82(a) of the LAG Manual? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If Yes, note exemption below.

If No: Date of OAHP consultation

1/29/08

Date of Tribal consultation(s) (if applicable)

10/9/07 & 1/2/08 jeh

Adverse affects on cultural/historic resources?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, date of approved Section 106 MOA

4. Flood Plains or Ways

Is the project located in a 100-year flood plain? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, is the project located in a 100-year floodway? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Will the project impact a 100-year flood plain? ☐ Yes ☒ No (If Yes, describe impacts and analysis conducted.)

5. Hazardous and Problem Waste - Identify potential sources and type.

Is the project likely to involve site clean-up? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Will the project create any hazardous waste? ☐ Yes ☒ No (If Yes, describe waste handling and disposal.)

6. Noise - Identify potential sensitive receptors or previous mitigation commitments. Briefly describe your impacts to the sensitive receptor, if present.

N/A

7. Parks, Recreation Areas, Wildlife Refuges, Historic Properties, or Scenic Rivers/Byways, 4(f)/6(f) Lands - Identify any properties within the project limits and, if any are present, describe impacts to properties present.

Trolley Bridge over the Naches River is a listed structure on the National Register of Historic Places. Impacts to the bridge will include the construction of a pedestrian / bicycle trail using dimensional lumber attached directly to the existing bridge.

This work does not constitute a 'use' of a 4(f) resource. jeh

Part 4 Environmental Considerations - Continued

8. Resource Lands - Identify any of the following resource lands within 300 feet of the project limits and those otherwise impacted by the project. Describe any impacts to any resource lands identified.

- a. Land use within 300 feet is a mixture of agricultural, commercial, residential and industrial. No impacts are expected as a result of this project.

If present, is resource considered to be prime and unique farmland? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, date of approval from Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) _____

- b. Forest/Timber

N/A

- c. Mineral

N/A

9. Rivers, Streams (Continuous, Intermittent), or Tidal Waters

- a. Identify all waterbodies within 300 feet of the project limits or that will otherwise be impacted.

Fisheries WA Stream No. _____

Ecology 303d Report No. _____

Reason for 303d listing _____ pH _____

Date of Report 11/4/05

Naches River

- b. Identify stream crossing structures by type.

Trolley Rail Bridge

10. Tribal Lands - Identify whether the project will impact any Tribal lands - reservation; usual and accustomed areas; or areas protected under treaty rights, such as fishing.

None

11. Visual Quality

Will the project impact roadside classification or visual aspects? ☐ Yes ☒ No (If Yes, identify the impacts.)

Part 4 Environmental Considerations - Continued

12. Water Quality/Storm Water

Has NPDES municipal general permit been issued for this WRIA? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Amount of existing impervious surface within project limits: 0

Net new impervious surface to be created as a result of project: 1.03 acres

Will this project's proposed stormwater treatment facility be consistent with the guidelines provided by either WSDOT's 2004 HRM, DOE's western or eastern Washington stormwater manuals, or a local agency equivalent manual? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If no, explain proposed water quality/quantity treatment for new and any existing impervious surface associated with proposed project.

13. Previous Environmental Commitments

Have previous environmental commitments been made in the project area? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Describe commitments. If commitments are a result of permit conditions, identify issuing agency, permit number and date, and how commitments will be met.

14. Long-Term Maintenance Commitments

Are long-term maintenance commitments necessary for this project? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Identify.

Routine trail maintenance.

15. Environmental Justice

Are minority and/or low income communities impacted by the project? ☐ Yes ☒ No (If Yes, identify the impacts.)

Part 5 Biological Assessment and EFH Evaluations

Answer **ALL** questions. Refer to the Part 5 Biological Assessment Checklist Instructions before completing this section.

Permits

1. Are any of the following environmental permits, as indicated in Part 2, required: HPA, 404 wetlands, or local clearing and grading, shorelines, or permits related to critical or sensitive areas ordinances? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Location

	2. Will any construction work occur within 0.5 miles of any of the following:	3. Does the project involve blasting, pile driving, concrete sawing, rock drilling, or rock scaling activities within 1 mile of any of the following?
Bald eagle nesting territories, winter concentration areas, or bald eagle communal roosts?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know
Spotted owl management circles or designated critical habitat?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know
Marbled murrelet nest or occupied stand, or designated critical habitat?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know
Western snowy plover designated critical habitat?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know
Federal threatened, endangered, proposed, or candidate plant species locations or documented habitat?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know
Canada lynx habitat?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know
Gray wolf habitat?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know
Grizzly bear habitat?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know
Brown pelican night roosts?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know
Woodland caribou habitat?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know
A mature coniferous or mixed forest stand?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know

4. Will any construction work occur within 300 feet of Puget Sound, Strait of Juan de Fuca, or the Pacific Ocean? ☐ Yes ☒ No
5. Will any construction work occur within 300 feet of any permanent or intermittent waterbody, **which supports or drains into a listed fish supporting waterbody**? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Don't Know
6. Will any construction work occur within 300 feet of any wetland, pond, or lake that is connected to **any** permanent or intermittent waterbody? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Don't Know
7. Does the action have the potential to directly or indirectly impact designated critical habitat for salmonids (including adjacent riparian zones)? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Don't Know

Stormwater

8. Will this project's proposed stormwater treatment facility be consistent with the guidelines provided by either WSDOT's 2004 HRM, DOE's western or eastern Washington stormwater manuals, or a local agency equivalent manual? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Construction Activities

9. Will any construction waste materials (e.g., asphalt or concrete grindings or byproducts, construction-related chemicals, fill materials, or excavated materials) from the project be disposed of at a location other than a permitted disposal site? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Don't Know
10. Will the project involve any in-water work? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Don't Know
11. Will the project effect the water regime of, or utilize any water from a waterbody, which supports or drains into a listed fish supporting waterbody; or any wetland, pond, or lake? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Don't Know
12. Will construction work occur outside the existing pavement? If Yes, go to 12a. ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 12a. Will construction activities occurring outside the existing pavement involve clearing, grading, filling, or modifications of vegetation or tree cutting? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Determination

If all the above questions were marked No (with the exception of Question 8a.), or if any of the above items were checked Yes or Don't know, but an adequate justification has been provided to support a no effect determination, then check **No Effect**. If any of the above items were checked Yes or Don't Know (with the exception of Question 8a.), a biologist is required to conduct a review and evaluate the project; complete the section 7 consultation process per section 24.7 of the LAG manual. Note: If a biologist is required to conduct a review and evaluate the project, this does not preclude a no effect determination.

	NOAA Fisheries	USFWS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Effect	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> NLTA Date of Concurrence	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> LTAA Date BO Issued	_____	_____
Date of First 6 Mo. Update	_____	_____

Essential Fish Habitat Determination:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Effect	
<input type="checkbox"/> Adverse Effect. Date of NOAA Concurrence	_____

Analysis for No Effects Determination (Required if any item in Section 5 was checked Yes).

As mentioned in the no effect letter, the construction of the trail will be taking place in an urban environment in close proximity to two major highways. The listed grizzly bear, gray wolf, marbled murrelet and northern spotted owl are not present within the action area due to lack of suitable habitat and the high noise environment. Listed bull trout and Middle Columbia River DPS Steelhead are present in the Naches River part of the action area. However, as detailed in the no effect letter, impacts to either species or their critical habitat will not occur as there is no in-water work associated with this project and methods to prevent debris from falling into the river during construction over the Naches River will be implemented.

Therefore there will be no effects to listed species or their critical habitat as a result of the proposed project.

Part 6 FHWA Comments

Use Supplement Sheet if additional space is required to complete this section.



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**City of Yakima
Wm O. Douglas Trail and Heritage Trail
Continuing APE Consultation
Fed Aid # STPE-1485(020)**

Dear Dr. Brooks:

As you know, the City of Yakima is proposing to extend the William O. Douglas Trail with the assistance of Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) funds. The Washington State Department of Transportation's (WSDOT) Highways and Local Programs Division (H&LP) is assisting the city and acting on behalf of the FHWA in processing federal environmental compliance documentation. As noted above this correspondence is intended to continue consultation and provide you with our updated definition of the Area of Potential Affects (APE), pursuant to 800.4. Please provide your comments on our updated APE definition prior to November 8, 2007 so that we may consider your comments in the historic property identification effort.

Your office concurred with the APE for the William O. Douglas Trail on January 2, 2007. Since that time, the William O. Douglas Trail Project has been combined with the Heritage Trail Project (STPE-1485(021)). Enclosed is the APE for the revised project showing the combined area of potential effects. The combined project will construct a section of new trail and repaint the Yakima Valley Trolley Bridge over the Naches River. The trail footprint will be less than 20 feet wide and will be constructed on fill in most areas. There are some areas south of State Route (SR) 12 that will require the excavation of undisturbed soil, however, the excavation will be limited to within two feet of the current ground surface. The track structure of the bridge will be modified to accommodate the trail.

Please review the enclosed materials and provide your comments on the defined APE and any methodological input you feel would help in the identification effort prior to November 8, 2007. A similar letter inviting comment has been sent to the Tribal Historic Preservation Officer of Yakama Nation on October 2, 2007. Please contact me at (360) 705-7879 or deboert@wsdot.wa.gov if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: Attachments: City of Yakima Supplied Figure

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